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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Kazuhiro OHKOUCHI et al.  
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Madam/Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits and responsive to the final Office Action dated August 5, 2009, and the Advisory Action dated February 23, 2010, the Applicants respectfully request examination of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal was filed February 3, 2010, and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), with the appropriate fees, is being filed concurrently with this submission.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 4.

Please amend the application as follows: